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 25)
 26 Plaintiff,)
 27)
 28 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)

No. 2:11-cv-01676 SVW (FMOx)

UNITED STATES' MOTION TO
 INTERVENE PURSUANT TO THE
 RELIGIOUS LAND USE AND

1	Applicant for Intervention,)	INSTITUTIONALIZED PERSONS
2)	42 U.S.C. § 2000cc
3	v.)	(CIVIL RIGHTS)
4	CATE, <i>et al.</i> ,)	
5)	Date: April 25, 2011
6	Defendants.)	Time: 1:30 p.m.
7)	Courtroom: 6
8)	The Judge Stephen V. Wilson

UNITED STATES' MOTION TO INTERVENE

The United States of America, by and through its undersigned counsel, pursuant to Rule 24, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, moves this Honorable Court to intervene in the above styled case, to wit, *Basra v. Cate*, No. CV11-01676 SVW (FMOx) (C.D. Cal., filed Feb. 25, 2011). In support, the United States submits that:

1. Plaintiff Basra has asserted a claim under the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act ("RLUIPA"), 42 U.S.C. § 2000cc.
2. RLUIPA grants the United States the authority to intervene in or bring an action for injunctive or declaratory relief to enforce RLUIPA. 42 U.S.C. § 2000cc-2(f).
3. The United States moves this Court for intervention of right, pursuant to Rule 24(a)(2), and alternatively for permissive intervention, pursuant to Rule 24(b).
4. Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 7-5(b), the United States submits a Memorandum of Points and Authorities in Support of United States' Motion to Intervene.
5. The United States has attached a Complaint in Intervention, pursuant to Rule 24(c).

1 WHEREFORE, the United States respectfully requests that this Court grant
2 this Motion to Intervene and enter an order:

- 3 a. Granting the United States' Motion to Intervene;
4 b. Adding the United States to Case No. 2:11-cv-01676 SVW (FMOx)
5 as a full party plaintiff-intervenor;
6 c. Ordering the Clerk of the Court to enter the United States' Complaint
7 in Intervention, and allowing it to proceed on its claim stated therein;
8 and
9 d. Permitting the United States to participate in any preliminary
10 injunction hearing.

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